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<p align="center">Advisory Action Before the Filing of an Appeal Brief</p>	<p>Application No. 09/632,535</p>	<p>Applicant(s) EDWARDS ET AL.</p>	
	<p>Examiner SIMON KE</p>	<p>Art Unit 2174</p>	

--The MAILING DATE of this communication appears on the cover sheet with the correspondence address --

THE REPLY FILED 30 November 2009 FAILS TO PLACE THIS APPLICATION IN CONDITION FOR ALLOWANCE.

1. ☒ The reply was filed after a final rejection, but prior to or on the same day as filing a Notice of Appeal. To avoid abandonment of this application, applicant must timely file one of the following replies: (1) an amendment, affidavit, or other evidence, which places the application in condition for allowance; (2) a Notice of Appeal (with appeal fee) in compliance with 37 CFR 41.31; or (3) a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) in compliance with 37 CFR 1.114. The reply must be filed within one of the following time periods:

- a) ☐ The period for reply expires _____ months from the mailing date of the final rejection.
b) ☒ The period for reply expires on: (1) the mailing date of this Advisory Action, or (2) the date set forth in the final rejection, whichever is later. In no event, however, will the statutory period for reply expire later than SIX MONTHS from the mailing date of the final rejection.

Examiner Note: If box 1 is checked, check either box (a) or (b). ONLY CHECK BOX (b) WHEN THE FIRST REPLY WAS FILED WITHIN TWO MONTHS OF THE FINAL REJECTION. See MPEP 706.07(f).

Extensions of time may be obtained under 37 CFR 1.136(a). The date on which the petition under 37 CFR 1.136(a) and the appropriate extension fee have been filed is the date for purposes of determining the period of extension and the corresponding amount of the fee. The appropriate extension fee under 37 CFR 1.17(a) is calculated from: (1) the expiration date of the shortened statutory period for reply originally set in the final Office action; or (2) as set forth in (b) above, if checked. Any reply received by the Office later than three months after the mailing date of the final rejection, even if timely filed, may reduce any earned patent term adjustment. See 37 CFR 1.704(b).

NOTICE OF APPEAL

2. ☐ The Notice of Appeal was filed on _____. A brief in compliance with 37 CFR 41.37 must be filed within two months of the date of filing the Notice of Appeal (37 CFR 41.37(a)), or any extension thereof (37 CFR 41.37(e)), to avoid dismissal of the appeal. Since a Notice of Appeal has been filed, any reply must be filed within the time period set forth in 37 CFR 41.37(a).

AMENDMENTS

3. ☐ The proposed amendment(s) filed after a final rejection, but prior to the date of filing a brief, will not be entered because
(a) ☐ They raise new issues that would require further consideration and/or search (see NOTE below);
(b) ☐ They raise the issue of new matter (see NOTE below);
(c) ☐ They are not deemed to place the application in better form for appeal by materially reducing or simplifying the issues for appeal; and/or
(d) ☐ They present additional claims without canceling a corresponding number of finally rejected claims.

NOTE: _____. (See 37 CFR 1.116 and 41.33(a)).

4. ☐ The amendments are not in compliance with 37 CFR 1.121. See attached Notice of Non-Compliant Amendment (PTOL-324).
5. ☐ Applicant's reply has overcome the following rejection(s): _____.
6. ☐ Newly proposed or amended claim(s) _____ would be allowable if submitted in a separate, timely filed amendment canceling the non-allowable claim(s).
7. ☐ For purposes of appeal, the proposed amendment(s): a) ☐ will not be entered, or b) ☐ will be entered and an explanation of how the new or amended claims would be rejected is provided below or appended.
The status of the claim(s) is (or will be) as follows:
Claim(s) allowed: _____.
Claim(s) objected to: _____.
Claim(s) rejected: _____.
Claim(s) withdrawn from consideration: _____.

AFFIDAVIT OR OTHER EVIDENCE

8. ☐ The affidavit or other evidence filed after a final action, but before or on the date of filing a Notice of Appeal will not be entered because applicant failed to provide a showing of good and sufficient reasons why the affidavit or other evidence is necessary and was not earlier presented. See 37 CFR 1.116(e).
9. ☐ The affidavit or other evidence filed after the date of filing a Notice of Appeal, but prior to the date of filing a brief, will not be entered because the affidavit or other evidence failed to overcome all rejections under appeal and/or appellant fails to provide a showing a good and sufficient reasons why it is necessary and was not earlier presented. See 37 CFR 41.33(d)(1).
10. ☐ The affidavit or other evidence is entered. An explanation of the status of the claims after entry is below or attached.

REQUEST FOR RECONSIDERATION/OTHER

11. ☒ The request for reconsideration has been considered but does NOT place the application in condition for allowance because:
See Continuation Sheet.
12. ☐ Note the attached Information *Disclosure Statement*(s). (PTO/SB/08) Paper No(s). _____
13. ☐ Other: _____.

/Peng Ke/
Primary Examiner, Art Unit 2174

Continuation of 11. does NOT place the application in condition for allowance because: A) Whether Dabney teaches a fictional story? A) Dabney teaches this limitation because the system is designed for all online publishers which includes fictional story publishers. (see Dabney, col.15, lines 10-25; online publishing includes publishing of fictional story);

B) Whether the combination of Dabney, Hanson, Fette, Lang, Plantz, and Ludwig teaches an indication of one or more editors that are selected to edit the story?

B) Plantz teaches this limitation because its control center interface lists the mater editor for the story. (see Plantz, fig. 12 col. 11, lines 1-15)

C) Whether the combination of Dabney, Hanson, Fette, Lang, Plantz, and Ludwig teaches making the story concept available for online access to enable the multiple collaborators to submit competing story content related to elements in the story concept?

C) The combination of Dabney and Ludwig teaches making the story concept available for online access to enable the multiple collaborators to submit competing story content related to elements in the story concept. Dabney provides users with the ability to post story concept online and it further allows the users to share their concept with others. (see Dabney, col. 5, lines 60-65) Ludwig further allows users to share their specific documents that are related to the central concept to other users. (see Ludwig, col. 36, lines 45-col. 37, lines 30) Therefore, the combination of Dabney and Ludwig teaches this limitation.

D) Whether the combination of Dabney, Hason, Fette, Lang, Plantz, and Ludwig teaches accepting received competing story content associated with the story concept from the multiple collaborators if the received competing story content meets the predetermined criteria?

D) The combination of Dabney and Lang teaches accepting received competing story content associated with the story concept from the multiple collaborators if the received competing story content meets the predetermined criteria. Dabney provides users with the ability to post story concept online and it further allows the users to share their concept with others. (see Dabney, col. 5, lines 60-65) Lang sets up a filter that determines whether the submitted documents contain predetermined criteria. Therefore, the combination of the Dabney and Lang teaches this limitation. .